



PATENT
Docket No. 99556466

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of:)
Racette *et al.*)
Serial No.: 09/686,733) Examiner: G. E. Winter
Filed: October 11, 2001) Group Art Unit: 1746
For: CLEANING SYSTEM UTILIZING)
AN ORGANIC CLEANING)
SOLVENT AND A PRESSURIZED)
FLUID SOLVENT)

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

To expedite prosecution, it is respectfully requested before the Examiner issues a first Office Action on the merits, that the Examiner contact the undersigned to discuss the subject matter of the amendments presented in the enclosed Amendment and Response to September 17, 2002 final Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,

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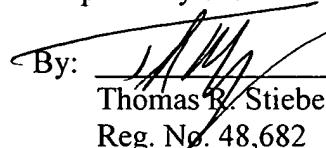
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Application Number	09/686,773
Filing Date	October 11, 2000
First Named Inventor	Timothy L. Racette
Examiner Name	Gentle E. Winte
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1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
1201 84	2201 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 280	2203 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 84	2204 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052 50	2052 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 400	2252 200	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 920	2253 460	Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,440	2254 720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 1,960	2255 980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 320	2401 160	Notice of Appeal	
1402 320	2402 160	Filing brief in support of an appeal	
1403 280	2403 140	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,280	2453 640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,280	2501 640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502 460	2502 230	Design issue fee	
1503 620	2503 310	Plant issue fee	
1460 130	1460 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
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1806 180	1806 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
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